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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [7429](#)**

**BY Baginski, Fenton-Fung, Tanzi, Noret**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS POLLING PLACE CAP {LC4525/1} (Increases the maximum number of voters that a polling place can accommodate from three thousand (3,000) to four thousand (4,000).)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/01/2022 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/04/2022 Scheduled for consideration

### SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [7420](#)**

**BY Azzinaro**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- TRANSFER OF VEHICLES {LC4528/1} (Requires that all motor vehicle dealers disclose in writing to the buyer whether or not a vehicle being sold has a spare tire and jack.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7515](#)**

**BY Tobon, Barros, Edwards, Kennedy, Williams, O'Brien, Vella-Wilkinson, Marszalkowski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - REGISTRATION OF VOTERS {LC4699/1} (Increases the role of the division of motor vehicles in the voter registration and address verification process, by establishing very specific obligations and responsibilities.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7516](#)**

**BY Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES -- RULES {LC4329/1} (Requires that all agencies final rules, promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act, be approved by general assembly action, but in no case later than December 31st of the year it is promulgated before it can become effective.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7517](#)**

**BY C Lima, Williams, Cardillo, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Hull, Serpa, Potter, Azzinaro, J Lombardi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- ADMINISTRATION -- BOARD COMPOSITION {LC4757/1} (Adds active firefighters and police officers or officers from their respective union to the retirement board.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Resolution No. [7518](#)**

**BY Morales, Potter, Henries**

**ENTITLED,** HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PURSUE A BROAD RANGE OF MEASURES TO REDUCE THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR WAR, TO SIGN AND RATIFY THE TREATY ON THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (TPNW), TO MAKE NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT THE CENTERPIECE OF OUR NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY, AND TO SPEARHEAD A GLOBAL EFFORT TO PREVENT NUCLEAR WAR {LC4413/1}

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Resolution No. [7519](#)**

**BY Messier, Fellela, Donovan, Speakman, J Lombardi, Cortvriend, Tanzi, Cassar, McEntee, Slater**

**ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE -- RIGHT TO ADEQUATE EDUCATION {LC4534/1} (Adds two sections to the constitution/guarantees residents adequate education permitting learning at high levels, become lifelong learners, productive workers and responsible citizens/makes rights guaranteed under the constitution judicially enforceable.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7582](#)**

**BY Fogarty, Carson, Speakman, Donovan, Amore, Craven, McEntee, Ruggiero, Azzinaro**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS {LC4572/1} (Requires the department of transportation to establish a schedule of all landscaping and mowing of lawns on state roads, and provide a copy of said schedule to the department of public works in any city or town where the state road is located.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7583](#)**

**BY Fogarty, Handy, Cortvriend, Knight, Shallcross Smith, Carson, Speakman, Donovan, Craven, McEntee**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES {LC4574/1} (Creates a pilot program for the thirty-three (33) hour driver education program to be offered in an online and virtual format, effective October 1, 2022 and would sunset on October 1, 2024.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7586](#)**

**BY O'Brien, Hull, Slater**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT {LC4711/1} (Requires that the secretary of EOHHS, the secretary of commerce of the commerce corporation and the commissioners of elementary and secondary education and postsecondary education be appointed subject to the approval of the senate.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7817](#)**

(University of Rhode Island)

**BY Fogarty, Carson, McEntee, Caldwell, Craven, O'Brien, Donovan, Ranglin-Vassell, Cassar, Tanzi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS -- REMOTE PARTICIPANTS {LC5350/1} (Allows University of Rhode Island trustee members to remotely participate in meetings, without excuse, and to have them considered as the meeting quorum.)

03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7825](#)**

**BY Amore, Ruggiero, Barros, J Lombardi, C Lima, Donovan, Ajello, Shallcross Smith**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT {LC5396/1} (Temporarily suspends the cap on the amount of days retired educators can work without penalty, suspends certain transportation of pupils requirements sunsetting at the end of 2021-2022 school year.)

03/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

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## **PROCEDURAL INFORMATION:**

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at

<https://www.rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx>.

### **WRITTEN TESTIMONY**

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via

**HouseStateGovernmentandElections@rilegislature.gov**

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### **IN PERSON TESTIMONY**

Individuals may testify in person before the committee at the State House. Sign-up sheets are available in/outside the hearing room.

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